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RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: 98-00771

COUNSEL: NONE

HEARING DESIRED: NO

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Applicant requests award of the Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kuwait) and Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon. Applicant's submission is at Exhibit A.

The appropriate Air Force office evaluated applicant's request and provided an advisory opinion to the Board recommending the application be denied (Exhibit C). The advisory opinion was forwarded to the applicant for review and response (Exhibit D). As of this date, no response has been received by this office.

After careful consideration of applicant's request and the available evidence of record, we find insufficient evidence of error or injustice to warrant corrective action. The facts and opinions stated in the advisory opinion appear to be based on the evidence of record and have not been rebutted by applicant. Absent persuasive evidence applicant was denied rights to which entitled, appropriate regulations were not followed, or appropriate standards were not applied, we find no basis to disturb the existing record.

Accordingly, applicant's request is denied.

The Board staff is directed to inform applicant of this decision. Applicant should also be informed that this decision is final and will only be reconsidered upon the presentation of new relevant evidence which was not reasonably available at the time the application was filed.

Members of the Board, Mr. David W. Mulgrew, Mr. Joseph G. Diamond, and Mr. Terry A. Yonkers considered this application on 21 July 1998 in accordance with the provisions of Air Force Instruction 36-2603 and the governing statute, 10 U.S.C. 1552.


DAVID W. MULGREW
Panel Chair

Exhibits:

- A. Applicant's DD Form 149
- B. Available Master Personnel Records
- C. Advisory Opinion
- D. SAF/MIBR Ltr Forwarding Advisory Opinion



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER
RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE TEXAS

MEMORANDUM FOR AFBCMR

27 March 1998

FROM: HQ AFPC/DPPRA
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Randolph AFB TX 78150-4714

SUBJECT: Application for Correction of Military Records (DD Form 149)

1. REQUESTED ACTION. Applicant requests award of the Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kuwait) and Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon.

2. BASIS FOR REQUEST. Applicant did not submit any documentation to support his claims.

3. FACTS.

a. Applicant's records reflect his serving in support of Operation DESERT CALM 21 Jun 91-1 Oct 91. He received the SWASM with 1 Bronze Service Star and National Defense Service Medal (reflected on his DD Form 214).

b. As a result of a request to the National Personnel Records Center for correction of records, applicant was awarded the [REDACTED]; the medal was sent to him, and a DD Form 215 was issued on 19 Sep 96, adding the KLM (K) to his DD Form 214. In the letter forwarding the KLM (K), it was explained to the applicant that he is not eligible for the [REDACTED] because he was not there during 17 Jan 91-28 Feb 91.

c. Applicant did not provide any documentation (orders, AF Form 522) to substantiate his claim for the Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon, and there is nothing in his records to indicate he qualified as Expert with a rifle or a handgun.

4. DISCUSSION. We do not understand the applicant's request for the [REDACTED] as he has already been awarded this medal, his records have been corrected to reflect the award, and it was explained to him that he is not eligible for the [REDACTED]. Without documentation to substantiate his claim, we can not verify the applicant's eligibility for the Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon.

5. RECOMMENDATION.

- a. We recommend disapproval of the applicant's request for award of the [REDACTED] Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon.

FOR THE COMMANDER



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